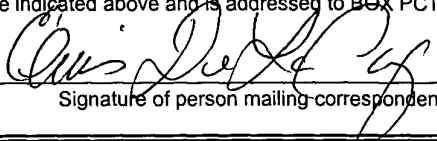


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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NUMBER	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
PCT/FR99/00547	March 11, 1999	March 11, 1998
TITLE OF INVENTION:	QUALITATIVE DIFFERENTIAL SCREENING	
APPLICANTS FOR DO/EO/US:	Fabien Schweighoffer, Laurent Bracco, Bruno Tocque	
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.	
2.	<input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.	
3.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).	
4.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19 <sup>th</sup> month from the earliest claimed priority date.	
5.	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> b. has been transmitted by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> c. is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).	
6.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).	
7.	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). <input type="checkbox"/> a. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. have been transmitted by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. <input type="checkbox"/> d. have not been made and will not be made.	
8.	<input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).	
9.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An unsigned oath or declaration of the inventors (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).	
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11.	<input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.	
12.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two Small Entity Declarations which are copies from prior application 09/046,920 and such small entity status is still proper and desired.	
13.	<input type="checkbox"/> An assignment for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 3.28 and 3.31 is included.	

14.	<input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.		
15.	<input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.		
16.	<input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.		
17.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:		
18.	☒ The following fees are submitted:  <b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(A)(1)-(5)):</b>  Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.455(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO \$ 970.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO \$ 840.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO \$ 690.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1) - (4) \$ 670.00  International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$ 96.00		\$840.00
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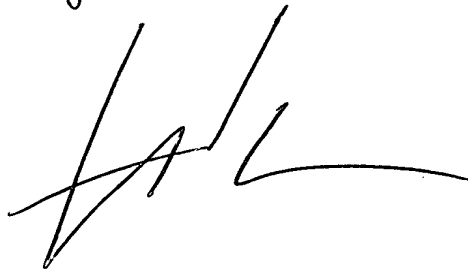
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